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## Personal Devotion Sheet: 1 Peter

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This personal devotion sheet is designed for you to photocopy and give to your youth group to take home and use during the week.

I would suggest that you think about including a time (during youth group or bible study) for youth to share what they have read/learned in their personal devotions. (See also "Creative Christian Ideas for Youth Groups" by Ken Moser pages: 108-111 for helpful ways to do this)

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### PERSONAL DEVOTION SHEET

#### How to get the most out of a personal devotion:

You need a Bible, a pen and paper.

Get comfortable - but not so comfortable that your eyes can't stay open! Find a place on your own where you won't be distracted by anyone or anything.

The Plan:

- 1. PRAY and ask God to help you understand what you are reading.
- 2. READ the passage.
- 3. WRITE down any questions you may have.
- 4. PRAY.

#### The Letter of 1 Peter

Peter was one of Jesus' disciples. He was well known for being the disciple that made some huge mistakes but God still used him to do great things. To find out more about him read: Matthew 14:22-32; Mark 9:2-7; Mark 8:27-33; Mark 14:66-72 and Acts chapters 2-5. The book of 1 Peter has a theme of suffering for being a Christian and the great hope that we have because we trust in Jesus.

#### DAY 1: Read 1 Peter chapter 1

What does this teach you about the hope that you have in Christ?

Since you have this great hope what do verses 13-16 and 22-23 tell you to do?

PRAY: What is something you need to work on in your Christian life from this passage? Pray for God's help to work on it this week.

#### DAY 2: Read 1 Peter chapter 2

How does being a Christian make you different/special?

Who are the authorities in your life and how does God want you to respond to them?

PRAY: Pray that God will help you to be different and stand out. Pray for your youth group that it will be a place that is different.

#### DAY 3: Read 1 Peter chapter 3

What kind of marriage relationship does God want us to have? (v. 1-7) Do you look for opportunities to show people you are a Christian? (13-16) PRAY: For courage to be a strong Christian in all circumstances.

#### DAY 4: Read 1 Peter chapter 4

How is the Christian to be different from the non-Christian? (v. 1-5) What instructions does Peter give us when facing persecution for our faith? (v. 12-19) PRAY: For your friends and family who do not know Jesus personally.

#### DAY 5: Read 1 Peter chapter 5

What is the Christian leader to be like?
What are you challenged by in this passage?
PRAY: For your church and youth leaders.

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